

Attorney Docket No. 10559-382001  
Application No. 09/734,330  
Amendment dated June 1, 2004  
Reply to Office Action dated February 23, 2004

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

The typographical errors in the abstract are corrected herein.

The typographical error at page 4, line 22 has also been corrected.

The objections to the drawings have been obviated herein by a drawing change. A formal version of figure 1 is provided herewith to obviate the drawing change to figure 1. Regarding the objection to Item 315, this appears to state "receive http request" and the undersigned does not see any grammatical or typographical error. However, should the Examiner have any clarification, any suggestions would be appreciated.

The objection to the disclosure has been obviated herein by amendment.

Claims 7 and 19 stand objected due to informalities which are corrected herein.

Claims 1-24 stand rejected under 35 USC 103 as allegedly being unpatentable over Schlener in view of Kannan. This contention is respectfully traversed, and for reasons set forth

Attorney Docket No. 10559-382001  
Application No. 09/734,330  
Amendment dated June 1, 2004  
Reply to Office Action dated February 23, 2004

herein, it is respectfully suggested that the claims are completely patentable over the cited prior art.

Schlener teaches a system which describes in general monitoring the status of the network device using SNMP. The rejection admits, however, that Schlener fails to teach encapsulating the SNMP information into HTTP protocol, and attempts to provide this missing teaching using Kannan. However, it is respectfully suggested that nowhere does Kannan teach or suggest encapsulating SNMP information into HTTP protocol, and therefore that the hypothetical combination of references is not effective to render unpatentable these claims.

Kannan teaches a system which allows encapsulating "data to be sent into a text message ... according to the HTTP protocol". The purpose of this is to provide "live customer service" over the internet, "using web-based security techniques...". See, generally, paragraph 129. Examples of the things that can be encapsulated in this way include data for online travel reservations (paragraphs 130-145). Another embodiment describes connecting a representative to website visitors; see, generally, paragraphs 162-176, or conducting a meeting; see, paragraphs 200-215, which describes an instant meeting. It should be apparent that the kind of data contemplated by Kannan is entirely different than anything contemplated according to the

Attorney Docket No. 10559-382001  
Application No. 09/734,330  
Amendment dated June 1, 2004  
Reply to Office Action dated February 23, 2004

present specification. The present specification describes using HTTP to control an SNMP message. This is a message to control some aspect of the network, not raw data as contemplated according to Kannan.

Therefore, nothing in Kannan teaches or suggests anything that would guide one having ordinary skill in the art to encapsulate an SNMP message within HTTP protocol. Kannan teaches encapsulating data within an HTTP message. Kannan teaches nothing about encapsulating any kind of control mechanism, much less an SNMP mechanism.

Therefore, if one made the hypothetical combination of Schlener in view of Kannan, all that one would obtain is a Schlener-type SNMP system, with encapsulating data for customer service or the like as provided by Kannan.

Moreover, it is respectfully suggested that one would not make this hypothetical combination in the way suggested by the official action. The SNMP system described in Schlener works perfectly well as described, and one having ordinary skill in the art would not seek to combine this with some other reference. Moreover, Kannan teaches nothing that would be thought by one having ordinary skill in the art to be combinable with Schlener, since Kannan teaches nothing about SNMP, and rather only teaches operations based on customer service and the

Attorney Docket No. 10559-382001  
Application No. 09/734,330  
Amendment dated June 1, 2004  
Reply to Office Action dated February 23, 2004

like. Therefore, it is respectfully suggested that each of these claims should be allowable for this reason. In view of the above amendments and remarks, therefore, all the claims should be in condition for allowance. A formal notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed in this paper. However, failure to address a specific rejection, issue or comment, does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above are not intended to be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

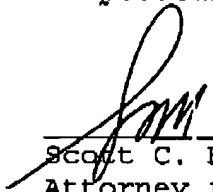
Attorney Docket No. 10559-382001  
Application No. 09/734,330  
Amendment dated June 1, 2004  
Reply to Office Action dated February 23, 2004

Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account

No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: June 1, 2004

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Scott C. Harris  
Attorney for Intel Corporation  
Reg. No. 32,030

Fish & Richardson P.C.  
PTO Customer Number: 20985  
12390 El Camino Real  
San Diego, CA 92130  
Telephone: (858) 678-5070  
Facsimile: (858) 678-5099  
10400944.doc